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SUBJECT: US- CANADA ECONOMIC ISSUES: GILLESPIE

REMARKS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS

REF: OTTAWA 1147

1. IN HOUSE OF COMMONS QUESTION PERIOD MAY 10, BROADBENT (NEW DEMOCRATIC PARTY) ASKED MINISTER INDUSTRY, TRADE & COMMERCE GILLESPIE ABOUT GOC POSITION IN BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS IN LIGHT OF GLOBE & MAIL REPORT THAT TREASURY SECRETARY SHULTZ HAD TESTIFIED IN FAVOR OF " PACKAGE APPROACH" TO US- CANADA TRADE ISSUES, APPARENTLY LINKING GOC DEAL ON ENERGY TO USG ACCEPTANCE OF CANADIAN MANUFACTURES. GILLESPIE REPLIED THAT HE HAD NOT SEEN TRANSCRIPT AND THEREFORE COULD NOT COMMENT ON SECRETARY SHULTZ' S TESTIMONEY TO HOUSE WAYS & MEANS COMMITTEE. HOWEVER, GILLESPIE SAID, IT WAS TRUE THAT (A) TALKS HAD RESUMED, (B) " ATMOSPHERE" HAD IMPROVED, AND (C) BOTH SIDES SHOWED WILLINGNESS TO DEAL WITH SEPARATE ISSUES ON THEIR MERITS.

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2. IN SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTION, BROADBENT ASKED IF TWO GOVERNMENTS WERE DISCUSSING HIS SUGGESTION FOR GOC REMOVAL OF 15 PERCENT DUTY ON CARS PURCHASED IN UNITED STATES. GILLESPIE DECLINED FURTHER COMMENT AT THIS TIME AS " PREMATURE."
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